

# A FAMILY OF *Faith*



## April Guide in English Year 2

- ❑ **VERSE OF THE MONTH: MARK 10: 43-45**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 224, 227,
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 121, 122-123.
  
- ❑ **SAINT OF THE MONTH: ST. GIANNA BERETTA MOLLA**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 228, 260-261
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 141-143

### Overview Lesson 12 Holy Orders

In this lesson we learn about the Sacrament of Holy Orders, one of the sacraments directed toward the service of others. The Sacrament of Holy Orders is the continuation of Christ's priesthood, which He bestowed upon His Apostles. We will come to understand the three orders of this Sacrament; the signs and effects of the Sacrament; and the form and minister of the Sacrament of Holy Orders.

- ❑ **WORDS TO KNOW:**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Page 232
  - ❑ Activity Book: Page 144
  
- ❑ **Activities and Key Concepts Lesson 12:** Parent's Guide: Page 231.

### Overview Lesson 13 Holy Matrimony

In this lesson we learn about the Sacrament of Matrimony in which a baptized man and woman are joined together in a holy covenant. Christ raised this covenant to a Sacrament in which the couple receives grace to love one another as Christ loves the Church: permanently, faithfully, and fruitfully. We will come to understand the signs and effects and the form and minister of the Sacrament of Matrimony.

- ❑ **WORDS TO KNOW:**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 248,
  - ❑ Activity Book: Page 144.
  
- ❑ **Activities and Key Concepts Lesson 13:** Parent's Guide: Pages 247.

- ❑ **Your Catholic Home:** Prayer Cards  
Parent's Guide: Page 226. Prayer cards are a wonderful way to introduce your children to the Communion of Saints! Each card typically has an image of a saint, our Lord, or the

Blessed Virgin on one side and, on the other, a prayer associated with that particular image.

The first prayer cards were sold as a keepsake to pilgrims in the Middle Ages to commemorate their visit to some holy site or shrine. Since then, the popularity of prayer cards has endured as they are reminders of our friends in heaven.

Find prayer cards of your children's patron saints, or patrons of activities that your children are involved in; for example, St. Cecilia is the patron saint of musicians, St. Sebastian of athletes, and Sts. Gemma Galgani and Thomas Aquinas of students. Place saints you are particularly devoted to in your home prayer space. For the rest, get a binder where your children can collect and even trade prayer cards with the other children of your parish community.

**BY THE END OF THIS MONTH, YOUR CHILDREN SHOULD BE ABLE TO:**

- Recite this month's Scripture Passage.**
  - Parent's Guide: Pages 224, 227
  - Activity Book: Pages 121, 122-123
  
- Define this month's Words to Know**
  - Parent's Guide: Pages 232, 248
  - Activity Book: Page 144
  
- Explain the Sacrament of Holy Orders.**
  - Parent's Guide: Pages 233-246
  - Activity Book: Pages 124-125, 126, 127-128 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 239), 129-131, 132-133 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 242), 134, 135
  
- Explain the Sacrament of Matrimony.**
  - Parent's Guide: Pages 249-259
  - Activity Book: Pages 136-138 (Answers in Parent's Guide Pages 252-253), 139, 140.
  
- Explain how these two Sacraments are fulfilled in service.**
  - Parent's Guide: Pages 234-237, 240-244, 256-258
  - Activity Book: Pages 124-125, 126, 129-131, 132-133 (Answers in Parent's Guide page 242), 136-138 (Answers in Parent's Guide Pages 252- 253)
  
- Tell you about St. Gianna Beretta Molla.**
  - Parent's Guide: Pages 260-261
  - Activity Book: Pages 141-143.

***April in Review***

**This month your children should be able to answer these questions:**

- What does God call each of us to do?**
  - Parent's Guide: Pages 236-237
  - Activity Book: Page 126.

- ❑ **How do bishops, priests, and deacons continue Christ's ministry?**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 233-235, 243-244
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 124-125, 134, 135
  
- ❑ **What is a sacramental marriage?**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 249-259
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 136-138 (Answers in Parent's Guide Pages 252-253), 139, 140.

**In Lesson 12 your children learned:**

- ❑ **Christ brings His ministry to us through called men who receive Holy Orders.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 233-242
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 124-125, 126, 127-128 (Answers in Parent's Guide Page 239), 129-131, 132-133 (Answers in Parent's Guide on Page 242).
  
- ❑ **Our bishops and priests lead us in faith and show us the way to Heaven.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 243-246
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 134, 135

**In Lesson 13 your children learned:**

- ❑ **In the Sacrament of Marriage a man and a woman enter into a lifetime commitment to covenantal love.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 249-253
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 136-138
  - ❑ (Answers in Parent's Guide: Pages 252-253).
  
- ❑ **The exchange of consent between the couple makes the marriage. The Holy Spirit seals their covenant.**
  - ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 254-259
  - ❑ Activity Book: Pages 139, 140

**Recommended Activities:**

- ❑ Parent's Guide: Pages 226, 227, 229, 232, 233-235, 236-237, 238-239, 240-242, 243- 244, 245-246, 248, 249-250, 251-253, 254-255, 256-258, 259, 260-261, 262.
  
- ❑ Activity Book: Pages 122-123, 124-125, 126, 127-128 (Answers in Parent's Guide: 239), 129-131, 132-133 (Answers in Parent's Guide: Page 242), 134, 135, 136-138 (Answers in Parent's Guide: Pages 252-253), 139, 140, 141-143, 144.

## Suggested Weekly Learning Goals April

Weekly Teaching for Parents	
Week 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>Introduce Words to Know:</b> Parents discuss <b>words to know</b> with their children on Parent Guide pages 232 and 248. Teach their children what the words mean.</li> <li>❑ <b>Understand Words to Know:</b> By the end of the week, the children should know how to <b>explain and define the words to know</b>.</li> <li>❑ <b>Get to know St Gianna Beretta Molla</b> Parents and children should read the brief biography of Saint Gianna Molla on Parent Guide pages 260-261.</li> <li>❑ <b>Learn Scripture Verse:</b> Begin reciting daily the <b>Scripture verse for the month</b>. <i>“Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.”</i> (Mark 10:43-45)</li> </ul>
Week 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>Parent and Child Activities:</b> Parents should choose one or more activities on the sacrament of Holy Orders in the Parents Guide pages 233-246, lead the children through this activity.</li> <li>❑ <b>Learning Goal for the Week:</b> The child should understand that -               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ Christ brings His ministry to us through called men who receive Holy Orders.</li> <li>❑ Our bishops and priests lead us in faith and show us the way to Heaven.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Week 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ <b>Parent and Child Activities:</b> Parents should choose one or more activities on the sacrament of Holy Matrimony in the Parents Guide on pages 249-259 to teach their children.</li> <li>❑ <b>Learning Goals for the Week:</b> The Child should understand that -               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ In the Sacrament of Marriage, a man and a woman enter into a lifetime commitment of covenanted love.</li> <li>❑ The exchange of consent between the couple makes the marriage. The Holy Spirit seals their covenant.</li> </ul> </li> <li>❑ <b>Your Catholic Home:</b> Find prayer cards of your children’s patron saints, or patrons of activities that your children are involved in; for example, St. Cecilia is the patron saint of musicians, St. Sebastian of athletes, and Sts. Gemma Galgani and Thomas Aquinas of students. Place saints you are particularly devoted to in your home prayer space. For the rest, get a binder where your children can collect and even trade prayer cards with the other children of your parish community.</li> </ul>